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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181(a)**

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Sir:

We have received a telephone communication from the Examiner on January 5, 2006 that the above-identified application has been abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office Action dated June 24, 2005.

Applicant hereby petitions for withdrawal of the abandonment since a response to the

Office Action was timely filed on October 19, 2005.

In particular, a Reply to the Office Action of June 24, 2005, was transmitted via facsimile on October 19, 2005 to the Examiner's attention, along with a Certificate of (facsimile) Mailing, a petition for a one-Month Extension of Time, and authorization to charge the requisite extension of time fee to the Deposit Account. Enclosed herewith are the documents transmitted October 19, 2005, namely a copy of the Reply (10 pages), Transmittal papers including Petition for Extension of Time (3 pages), and the fax cover sheet (1 page). A copy of the "Transmit Confirmation Report" (1 page) is also enclosed.

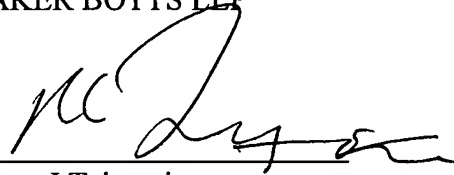
The Examiner now agrees that he did indeed receive the Reply via facsimile on October 19, 2005 but did not attend to it.

Since the Reply was timely filed on October 19, 2005, it is respectfully submitted that the application was not abandoned. In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the Abandonment be withdrawn.

Applicant believes that there is no fee required with this communication. However, if any fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees relating to this communication to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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